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SUBJECT: LENINGRAD PROPAGANDIST ON DETENTE

REF: LENINGRAD 295; LENINGRAD A-26

1. LENINGRAD PROPAGANDIST AT PUBLIC LECTURE MARCH 9, IN ADDITION TO ATTACK ON U.S. POLICY IN MIDDLE EAST (REFTEL), CHARGED THAT PRESIDENT FORD IS NOT FULLY CONTINUING NIXON ADMINISTRATION'S POLICIES.

2. LECTURER SAID PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE SERVES TO RESOLVE BIGGEST PROBLEM, THE PROBLEM OF WAR AND PEACE, BETWEEN "IMPERIALIST" U.S. AND "ANTI-IMPERIALIST" USSR. HOWEVER, U.S. OPPOSES MANY SOVIET POSITIONS AND TAKES DISCRIMINATORY ACTIONS (E.G., THE TRADE ACT). IN FACT, LECTURER SAID, "PRESIDENT FORD HIMSELF, WHO VISITED HERE AND WAS VERY FRIENDLY, IS, UNFORTUNATELY, NOT CONTINUING THE FULL POLICY OF HIS PREDECESSOR." SALT NEGOTIATIONS ARE GOING FORWARD, HE NOTED, BUT U.S. NEVERTHELESS CONTINUES TO PURSUE THE ARMS RACE.

3. IN CONCLUDING HIS CRITICAL REMARKS ON MIDDLE EAST, (REFTEL, LECTURER ALSO SUGGESTED U.S. POLICY IN MIDDLE EAST

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MIGHT BE INCONSISTENT WITH DETENTE. "TO EXTENT U.S. POLICY IS CHANGING ONLY AS A TACTIC, RATHER THAN

CHANGING IN ESSENTIALS, DETENTE IS NOT YET FIRM." HE  
SAID, HOWEVER, "EVERY STEP TOWARD DETENTE SERVES THE  
INTERESTS OF ALL PEACE-LOVING PEOPLES."

4. FULL TEXT OF LECTURER'S REMARKS REPAIR.

5. COMMENT. THIS IS THE FIRST INSTANCE WE HAVE NOTED  
OF SUCH A PUBLIC LINE BEING TAKEN ON THE PRESIDENT. WE  
HAVE SEEN NOTHING IN THE PRESS IN RECENT WEEKS ADDRESSED  
SPECIFICALLY TO THE QUESTION OF CONTINUITY IN U.S. POLICY.  
THE OFFICIAL LINE HAS BEEN INSISTENCE THAT THE PRESIDENT  
HAS CONTINUED THE POLICY LINE VISA-A-VIS THE SOVIET UNION  
INITIATED BY HIS PREDECESSOR.  
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